

**KINGSTON BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 8, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was called to order at 3:00 p.m. on October 8, 2014 in the Department's offices at Jansen Avenue. Present were President Joseph DeCicco, Commissioners Ray McSpirit, Alfred Radel, Bob Niedzielski and Dennis Croswell. Also in attendance were Superintendent Hansen, Assistant Secretary Allan Alberts, Attorney William Cloonan, and James Caggiano. Present to address the Board was Rebecca Martin.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Croswell. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bills in the amount of \$326,531.56 dated 9/17/14; \$25,801.75 dated 9/24/14; \$47,963.37 dated 10/1/14; and \$201,221.17 dated 10/8/14 were ordered paid as audited on a motion by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Radel. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Rebecca Martin of Kingston addressed the Board of Water Commissioners to express her objections to and concerns about the proposed sale of water to Niagara Bottling, LLC. She requested copies of certain documents as part of her presentation. The Superintendent advised that copies of the documents are available.

The Board discussed the sale of water to Niagara Bottling, LLC. The Board was presented with a notice to involved agencies from the Town of Ulster Town Board declaring its intent to be Lead Agency for a coordinated SEQRA environmental review of the proposed Type 1 Action related to the SEQRA process involving Niagara Bottling, LLC. Attorney Cloonan advised the Board that he saw no improprieties in the declaration. A resolution was made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Radel authorizing the Board of Water Commissioner's President to sign the Consent Form for the Town of Ulster Town Board to serve as Lead Agency for the above mentioned SEQRA environmental review. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the CSX Crossing Main Replacement Project. It was reported that the replacement mains in Flatbush Avenue and Gage Street were in service. The bids for the water main renovations in Stephan Street and Foxhall Avenue were opened on October 1. The low bid was received from Arold Construction for \$86,500. On a motion by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski the project was awarded to Arold Construction conditionally based on the researched effectiveness of the product to be used for lining the mains. The Superintendent was directed to research other utilities that have had this product installed. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the Cooper Lake Dam Project. It was reported that an assessment concluded that the current well house could be reused in the project. Additional inspections by divers is to be done the following week.

The Board discussed the Phase 1B Filter Renovation Project. The Board was informed that a meeting had taken place with DOH representatives to resolve questions they had about the project.

The Board discussed the need for a backup internet to the SCADA system at the Binnewater UV Facility. A motion was made by Commissioner Radel and seconded by Commissioner McSpirit to authorize the installation of a utility pole by R.E.A.D. Electric at Binnewater for use by Webjogger as a backup internet for the SCADA system. The cost is not to exceed \$2,500. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board was presented with a letter from Tech City requesting that Building #29 be connected to the Town of Ulster Water Supply. Attorney Cloonan will review the request which would result in removing the building from the responsibility of the contract between Tech City and KWD.

The Board discussed the status of water charges owed by the owner of 42 Levan Street. Superintendent Hansen was directed to compose a letter to be signed by President DeCicco which would communicate to the owner that all of the water charges billed are due to be paid to KWD.

A motion to move into Executive Session was made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski at 4:18 pm. A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski at 5:55 pm. Motions carried by unanimous vote.

The Superintendent's Report was approved on a motion by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Croswell. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski at 5:56 pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Assistant Secretary